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October 19, 2004

Bruce Mitchell Sawtooth Stone, LLC 103 West Center P.O. Box 49 Oakley, Idaho 83346-0049

Subject:

Extension Request, Sawtooth Stone, LLC, Sawtooth Stone Quarry #3,

S/003/068, Box Elder County, Utah

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

On October 18, 2004, we received your request to extend the timeframe to submit your reclamation surety bond for your Sawtooth Stone Quarry #3 to March or April 2005. Your justification for this request is that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will not be ready to issue surface entry until possibly April of next year.

The Division hereby agrees that this extension request is fully justified. A bond should not have to be posted until mining is ready to commence. Therefore, we will extend the timeframe to submit the \$8,000 reclamation surety bond to April 15, 2005. If the BLM is not prepared to issue your permit by then, please notify us and request additional time.

Please be advised that no mining related activity can take place until the reclamation surety is posted and you have received written authorization from this office, the BLM and SITLA to proceed. To do so would place your operation in violation of the Mined Land Reclamation Rules, which would then carry fines and penalties if a violation were to be written.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact me at (801) 538-5325 or Lynn Kunzler at (801) 538-5310.

Sincerely,

Daron R. Haddock Permit Supervisor

Minerals Regulatory Program

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Grace Jensen, BLM (UTU-80420)

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